

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By Chairman SCHIELL ANDERSON, on January 13, 1999
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 420 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Shiell Anderson, Chairman (R)
Rep. Rick Jore, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Gary Beck, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Joe Barnett (R)
Rep. Sylvia Bookout-Reinicke (R)
Rep. Robert C. Clark (R)
Rep. Paul Clark (D)
Rep. Steven Gallus (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Marian Hanson (R)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Carol C. Juneau (D)
Rep. Gary Matthews (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Roger Somerville (R)
Rep. Cliff Trexler (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Matt Brainard

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch
Mary Lou Schmitz, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and
discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 18, HB 172, HB 208, **POSTED
1-11-99**

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 208

Sponsor: Rep. Royal Johnson, HD 10, explained his Bill which prohibits passengers in beds of pickup trucks.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 6.5}

Proponents: Bob Merrill, Billings. **EXHIBIT(trh09a01)**

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.5 - 13}

Col. Craig Reap, Chief, Montana Highway Patrol.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13 - 17.2}

Opponents: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: Rep. Hedges to Rep. Royal Johnson and Col. Reap.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 17.2 - 20}

Rep. Juneau to Rep. Royal Johnson.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20 - 22.1}

Rep. Golie to Rep. Royal Johnson and Leanne Kurtz.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.1 - 24.8}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Johnson closed the Hearing on HB 208.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.8 - 25.6}

HEARING ON HB 18

Sponsor: Rep. Bob Lawson, HD 80, explained the bill would require a vehicle to be driven in the far right lane of a multilane highway.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.6 - 31.6}

Proponents: Doug Gilbertson, Whitefish.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 31.6 - 33.8}

Opponent: Bob Gilbert, Sidney.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 33.8 - 36.6}

Opponent: Ben Butler, Helena

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 36.6 - 38.3}

Informational Witness: John Blacker, Maintenance Administrator, Department of Transportation.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 38.3 - 40.5}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: Rep. Bookout-Reinicke to Ben Butler.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 40.5 - 41.4}

Rep. Hedges to Rep. Lawson.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 41.4 - 43}

Rep. Bookout-Reinicke to Col. Craig Reap.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 43 - 43.7}

Rep. Beck to Col. Craig Reap.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 43.7 - 45.3}

Rep. Gallus to Rep. Lawson.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 45.3 - 47.8}

Rep. Gallus to Col. Craig Reap.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 47.8 - 48.1}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Lawson closed the Hearing on HB 18.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 48.1 - 48.8}

HEARING ON HB 172

Sponsor: Rep. Chase Hibbard, HD 54, said this Bill would specify when an electronic funds transfer must be used in payment of fuel taxes and associated fees, penalties, and interest.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.4 - 5.1}

Proponents: Bob Turner, Bureau Chief, Fuel Tax Management & Analysis Bureau, Department of Transportation. **EXHIBIT(trh09a02)**

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.1 - 12}

Ronna Alexander, Montana Petroleum Marketing.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12 - 13.3}

Opponents: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: Rep. Bookout-Reinicke to Bob Turner.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 13.3 - 15.8}

Rep. Hedges to Bob Turner.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15.8 - 16.7}

Rep. Paul Clark to Bob Turner and Ronna Alexander.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 16.7 - 21}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Hibbard closed the Hearing on HB 172.

EXHIBIT(trh09a03) AND EXHIBIT(trh09a04).

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 21 - 24.3}

ANNOUNCEMENT: Chairman Anderson reminded the Committee of the tour through the Department of Transportation facility Friday 1-15-99 and the Highway Patrol facility tour Friday, 1-22-99 after the Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:25 P.M.

REP. SHIELL ANDERSON, Chairman

MARY LOU SCHMITZ, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (trh09aad)